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## LIST OF OFFICERS FOR 1894.

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<i>Worthy Master</i> .....	BRO. DAWSON KENNEDY ..	Peterboro
" <i>Overseer</i> .....	" D. G. MCKENZIE .....	Lucknow
" <i>Secretary</i> .....	" ROBT. WILKIE.....	Blenheim
" <i>Treasurer</i> ....	" PETER HEPINSTALL..	Fordwich
" <i>Lecturer</i> .....	" GEORGE BROWN .....	Gresham
" <i>Chaplain</i> .....	" THOMAS PORTER.....	Banda
" <i>Steward</i> .....	" SYLVANUS AUSTIN.....	Whitby
" <i>Ass't Steward</i> . "	W. M. BAKER.....	Littlewood
" <i>Gatekeeper</i> ....	" LYMAN HENRY.....	Sombra
" <i>Ceres</i> .....	SISTER CUMMING.....	Londesboro
" <i>Pomona</i> .....	" ROBINSON .....	Middlemarch
" <i>Flora</i> .....	" AUSTIN.....	Whitby
" <i>Lady Steward</i> . "	LETHBRIDGE .....	Glencoe

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

BRO. HY. GLENDINNING .....	.....	Manilla
" JABEL ROBINSON.....	.....	Middlemarch

### AUDITORS.

BRO. JAMES FALLIS .....	.....	Newbridge
" J. M. KAISER .....	.....	Raper

# DOMINION GRANGE.

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## NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

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### FIRST DAY.

ALBION HOTEL, TORONTO, February 21st, 1894.

Bro. Peter Hepinstall, the Worthy Master, took the chair at three o'clock p. m., and opened the Grange in form.

On calling the roll the following Officers answered to their names and took their places:

<i>Worthy Master</i> .....	BRO. PETER HEPINSTALL.
" <i>Overseer</i> .....	" DAWSON KENNEDY.
" <i>Secretary</i> .....	" ROBERT WILKIE.
" <i>Lecturer</i> .....	" D. G. MCKENZIE.
" <i>Gate-Keeper</i> .....	" LYMAN HENRY.
" <i>Ceres</i> .....	SISTER CUMMING.

<i>Executive Committee</i> .....	BRO. HY. GLENDINNING.
" .....	" JABEL ROBINSON.

*Auditor* ..... BRO. JAMES FALLIS.

The Worthy Master appointed the following Officers to fill the vacant chairs:

<i>Chaplain</i> .....	BRO. THOMAS PORTER.
<i>Steward</i> .....	" SYLVANUS AUSTIN.
<i>Assistant Steward</i> .....	" W. M. BAKER.
<i>Lady Steward</i> .....	SISTER AUSTIN.

Moved by Bro. H. Glendinning, seconded by Bro Jabel Robinson,—That the minutes as printed be taken as read.—*Carried.*

The Worthy Master appointed Bros. D. Kennedy and William Wallace, a Committee on Credentials.

Moved by Bro. H. Glendinning, seconded by Bro. Jabel Robinson,—That all resolutions offered at this meeting be in writing and handed to the Master.—*Carried.*

The Worthy Master appointed Bros. Glendinning and Robinson as a Committee to nominate the Standing Committees.

The Worthy Master delivered his annual address.

### MASTER'S ADDRESS.

**PATRONS.**--We have met to-day in this Nineteenth Annual Session of Dominion Grange, and while we cordially greet each other, let us not forget that we hold great responsibilities and have a high and noble aim. We represent the most important calling on earth; to till the soil, may be hard work, but the needs of the world are here supplied.

Our organization is important as well as our work. The Grange aims at concentrated effort for personal and universal benefit. It was the first organization of Farmers in Canada having this purpose, and since its inception, it has not failed invariably to exert an influence for good where ever it has been any thing like fairly worked.

We aim to develop a higher and better manhood and womanhood among ourselves. To enhance the attractions of our homes and strengthen our attachments to the farm industry.

To foster mutual understanding and co-operation, to systematize our work and emulate each other in labor.

To discountenance the credit system, and every other system that tends to prodigality and bankruptcy. We wage no war against other honorable callings, but, keep in view the fact that individual happiness depends upon general prosperity. We are opposed to the spirit and management of any corporation or enterprise that tends to oppress the people and rob them of their just profits. We are not enemies to capital, but we oppose the tyranny of monopolies, and desire to see the antagonism between capital and labor removed by common consent.

We are opposed to excessive salaries, high rates of interest, and exorbitant per cent. in trade, as they do not bear a proper proportion to the profit of producers.

We are not a political, or party organization.

No Grange, if true to its obligation, can discuss party politics, or religious questions, or call political conventions, nominate candidates or discuss their merits. But we hold that political economy is a proper subject for discussion, and questions before any body politic or corporation, touching the interest of farmers or the country, can be discussed on their merits.

It is our duty to heed the drift of current movements and throw our influence on the side of right.

Since our last annual meeting important movements have been made in this Province, which suggest material changes in

our moral and political atmosphere. The vote on the Plebiscite in favor of prohibition, was particularly strong among the farmers which fact we note with pleasure, and, as a body, heartily endorse the movement. There are two organized associations at work, which, if successful, bid fair to change the face of party politics materially. I refer to the P. I. and the P. P. A. There are also other organizations seeking to change the system of Government by introducing what is known as "the initiative and referendum," and cumulative voting. Also the Single Tax Association. I express no opinion on these, but repeat what I have said above; it is our duty to heed the drift of current movements, consider carefully, discuss freely, and act promptly on our matured judgment in favor of the right.

And now regarding the duty of the hour, allow me to ask a question, Is there room in this country for our organization? What are your convictions? I think I voice the convictions of this Grange, and the Granges we have the honor to represent, when I say there is room for it, and a demand for it. With this conviction then let us adjust ourselves to circumstances, rise above difficulties and discouragements, and as far as in us lies, make the Grange what we feel it is capable of being and should be, the best organization in the country.

Let us unite in cordial mutual effort in this session for this purpose.

We are not here as pleasure-seekers, but for work. Let each person in Committee feel the importance of the subject on hand. Have some concise points worth printing in your findings. Short and concise reports are better than lengthy and exhaustive ones, Get them before the Grange as soon as possible, so as to have a full and free discussion. Say what you feel you ought to say with due regard to others, and the time at your disposal. Feel at home, every one. Put some enthusiasm and fire into this session that will be felt by us all, when we return to our homes and to Grange work. And now, thanking you for your cordiality and support in the past, and confident of your co-operation until I welcome your choice as my successor to this chair, I ask you to take up the work of this session, with a spirit worthy of yourselves and those you represent. And may the Master above bless and direct our labors.

PETER HEPINSTALL, Master.

Toronto, Feb. 21st, 1894.

Moved by Bro. Robinson, seconded by Bro. Fallis,—That the Master's address be referred to the Committee on Officer's Reports, —Carried.

## REPORT NO. 1 OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that we have considered the Worthy Master's address, and we recommend that the whole of it, be given to the press for publication.—*Carried.*

The Committee on Credentials brought in their report. We find credentials for the following Delegates:

No.	GRANGE.	DELEGATE.	POST OFFCE.
570	Royal	GEO. F. HOUSE	Stevensville
45	Lake Simcoe	CHAS. CROSS	Nantye
108	Union	SYLVANUS AUSTIN	Whitby
141	Knock	MICHAEL CORNELL	Vine
599	Maitland	JAMES FALLIS	Newbridge
253	Victoria	R. WILKIE	Blenheim
147	Norfolk	MATHIAS SCHILZ	Renton
453	South Elderslie	ALEX. MCKAY	Paisley
373	Center Bruce	GEO. BROWN	Gresham
153	Edgar	JOHN M. SYME	Dalston
385	Banda	THOS. PORTER	Banda
146	Painswick	F. D. QUANCE	Painswick
397	Grand River	WILLIAM WALLACE	Galt
393	Hullett	JOHN CUMMING	Londesboro
	"	MRS. CUMMING	Londesboro
395	Stanley Sun	DOUGLAS McTAVISH	Clinton
132	Arkona	J. O. SMITH	Arkona
582	Farmers' Friend	C. J. NESBITT	Clinton
100	Farmers' Wreath	D. G. MCKENZIE	Lucknow
200	Burlington	A. W. PEART	Freeman
166	Applegrove	JABEL ROBINSON	Middlemarch
405	Manilla	HY. GLENDINNING	Manilla
32	Mutual	W. M. BAKER	Littlewood
35	Milton	A. BROWNBRIDGE	Omagh
649	Eathon	DAWSON KENNEDY	Peterboro
899	Selman	LYMAN HENRY	Sonibra

## DELEGATES FROM DIVISION GRANGES.

1	London	J. M. KAISER	Raper
5	West Lambton	ROBERT MILLIKEN	Lucas
6	Halton	EDWIN PEART	Nelson
21	Belmore	PETER HEPINSTALL	Fordwich
23	Beaver Valley	ANDREW SHORE	Thornbury

Moved by D. Kennedy, seconded by William Wallace,—That the Report be adopted.—*Carried.*

The Master called for suggestions from the Granges or Delegates, either written or verbal, without discussion.

A suggestion came from Grange No. 100, that a receipt for taxes paid, should be sufficient evidence to entitle the holder to vote.

From No. 599, suggestions to amend the School Law in various ways. To shorten the summer holidays, to change the system of apportioning the grants, to change the time for payment of teachers and other matters.

Bro. M. Schilz, of No. 147, gave an account of how that Grange was working; they had invested some money in the Grange Salt works, and found the dividends came in to keep up these expenses. Respecting co-operation, they were five miles from any store and they had established one on the Rochdale co-operative principle; they sold goods to any one who wanted them, whether they belonged to the Grange or not. They had been fortunate in getting a good honest manager, at a reasonable salary, and their success had been surprising.

Bro. Wallace, No. 397, thought the farmer should stick to the farm, and leave business to business men who had training and experience in their own particular line of business.

Bro. Kennedy thought farmers were like other men, and had the same rights to deal where they could do so to the best advantage. When the farm product, in any locality, brought a good price, the dealer shipped it in from other points if it could be had any cheaper, and thereby reduced the farmer's profits; why then should the farmer not provide for himself in the cheapest way he can?

Bro. Fallis handed in suggestions from No. 599, which were asking amendments to the School Laws. He said his Grange was not large, but it was staunch and active.

Bro. Porter, No. 385, said their attendance was small generally, but on holiday occasions they generally had a good muster; they were not poor if they were small; they always kept their Treasury supplied.

Bro. Geo. F. House, said his Grange, No. 570, had been working sixteen years; at one time they had sixty members; they had not so many now, but they had a better Grange. They had taken some stock in the Grange Salt well, and it helped them along; he asked for some information about the unwritten work, upon which he said, there was a difference of opinion amongst themselves.

The Executive Committee brought in their report:

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To the Worthy Master and Members of the Dominion Grange:

Your Committee beg leave to report that their labors in Grange work have been light during the past year. We held one Executive meeting in the city of Toronto, during the month of April, and appointed a committee to confer with the Patrons of Industry and labor organizations, for the purpose of adopting a platform, upon which we could all unite and make our influence felt in the Legislative Halls of our country, as requested by resolution at the last annual meeting.

In regard to the platform adopted by the Patrons of Industry we feel that we would have no hesitation in recommending many of the planks contained therein, and would still go much farther in retrenchment and economy throughout the public service, advocating the reduction of the members of the County Councils and the total abolition of the Grand Jury. But on the propositions introduced by the Labor Organization, viz., cumulative voting and the Initiative and Referendum, we are not so decided. In referance to the "Initiative and Referendum" much can be said in its favor whereby the people would have a direct voice in framing the laws of our country, but it might be found somewhat tedious and expensive, yet it would tend to allay much of the bitter party strife that now existe.

But in reference to Cumulative voting as proposed by the above mentioned Labor Organizations, whereby an elector may give one, or all of his votes to one candidate, we cannot approve of the plan as laid down by them, inasmuch as it would be liable to lead to a vast amount of bribery and corruption by a few schemers, who are leaders of organized bodies.

We prepared a circular on the above questions and submitted them to the Subordinate Granges for their consideration.

We prepared a memorial and presented it to Sir Oliver Mowat and the members of the Legislative Council, of which the following is a copy. That a strong feeling prevails in many parts of Ontario, in favor of some measure for reducing the County Councils to a smaller number of members.

We were pleased to learn last session that your Honorable Body had prepared a bill for this purpose, but regret that it did not become law. The Grange has petitioned for some change in the law for this purpose several times, upon former occasions, and have suggested a plan, by which this object might be accomplished, and although it may not be entirely free from objections we believe it to be eminently practical, and which, in the absence of a better, they respectfully ask to be enacted.

That the rudiments of Agriculture be taught in our rural

schools as soon as the necessary arrangements can be satisfactorily made.

That the Game Laws be so amended as to allow the Rabbit known as the cotton tail rabbit to be killed at any season of the year, as its habits are very destructive to shrubs and fruit trees.

And that the killing of Quail be entirely prohibited as they are the farmers' best friends for destroying insects and picking up the seeds of foul weeds.

That bicycle riding has become very common and that great speed has been attained on them; that in consequence of their unique appearance and lightning like speed they are objects of terror to horses, and innumerable accidents are caused by them every year, by horses being frightened and becoming unmanageable, and running away, demolishing vehicles and injuring and disabling those by whom they are used, while the bicyclist glides away and disappears without recognition.

As they are less use and more dangerous than the traction engine, the driving of which on highways is regulated by statutes, we ask that some means be devised to prevent them from causing so much damage to life and property as at present.

That chapter 30 of the Statutes of Ontario for 1892, entitled the Workmen's Compensation for Injuries Act, be amended by adding the following words after the word "act," Sub-section 2 of section 2, "save and except when such employee shall be engaged in the ordinary work of the agriculturist, including husbandmen, Gardeners and Fruit Growers," and that sub-section 3 of section 2 be amended by striking out in the third line thereof, the words "servant in husbandry."

Our attention has been called to the apparent necessity of the Government giving assistance for the development of the mineral wealth of our Province. We as farmers have considered this matter, and think it would be of advantage to us, as a class, for the Government to assist in the establishment of a custom smelter at some point in the Sudbury district, for the treatment of nickle ore, subject to such conditions as will insure the continuation of it for the purpose for which it was established at fair and just rates, as we believe, it might lead to a great increase in the population of that district and create a market for much of the farm produce raised in other parts of the country.

A grievance has been pressed upon our notice from the county of Elgin, where it seems the members of the County Council from eastern and western portions of the county united, in making their High School grants, so as to do an injustice to the central

portion of the county. Your petitioners refrain from making any recommendation as to the change in the law, lest it might be prejudicial to some other portion of the country, but respectfully ask the consideration of the Hon. Minister of Education of this matter, that some change may be made if possible, to prevent a repetition of this injustice.

We are pleased to learn that the Game Laws were amended in the direction asked for.

The Workman's Compensation for Injuries Act was also amended in the interest of the farmers, and provision was made against the recurrence of the grievance under the High School Act. This is a proof that our organization is influential in shaping legislation.

**PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, IN THE INTEREST OF THE FARMING COMMUNITY,**

*Humbly Sheweth:*

THAT at the last Annual Meeting of Dominion Grange resolutions were passed after very full consideration, instructing the undersigned Executive Committee to petition the Government of the Dominion and Parliament for changes in the tariff.

THEREFORE we respectfully desire to call your attention to the impoverishment of farm lands, which is rapidly taking place throughout the country by the continuous growing of grain crops.

THOUSANDS of farms have become unremunerative by this system, which extracts more from the land than is left to return to it.

THE MOST PRACTICAL and effective remedy for this would be a change from grain to stock raising. This would produce large quantities of the most valuable fertilizing materials, with which to restore the exhausted fertility of the soil.

NEARLY THIRTY PER CENT. in value of the exports of the Dominion, or over twenty-eight and a half millions of dollars' worth, are animals and their products, and this large sum might be enormously increased if this change became general. Believing this branch of farming worthy of every encouragement, looking at the proud results of Canadian competition at the World's Fair recently held in Chicago, we ask that Indian Corn for feeding purposes be put on the free list, as we believe this would stimulate stock farming in Canada.

WE NOTICE with satisfaction a slight relaxation in the restrictions placed upon Coal Oil, and trust it is but an indication of further reductions soon to take place. The Government returns show that only eighty dollars (\$80.00) worth of refined Coal or Kerosine Oil, being the products of Canada, was exported from the Dominion during the last year, while over five and a half millions of gallons were imported for consumption and paid a duty of ninety per cent. This seems an excessive impost upon an article which enters into the daily consumption of the masses, and which seems to be imposed for the special benefit of the few persons who are engaged in the production of Coal or Kerosine

**Oil in this country. We therefore press for a reduction in the duty on Coal Oil to three cents per gallon.**

**MANY ARTICLES OF HUSBANDRY,** which would materially assist the Agriculturist in the dnties of his calling, are not manufactured in Canada and upon these he is compelled to pay the (almost) prohibitory duty of thirty-five per cent., or do without. We ask that the duties upon Agricultural Implements be reduced to fifteen per cent., as we consider this would still leave the Canadian manufacturers a sufficient advantage over the foreign manufacturer.

While thankfully recognizing the concessions on Binder Twine we still claim that the duty should be abolished and the Canadian farmer should be permitted to benefit by the competition of the world. As we are practically and painfully aware of the fact, that protection has not increased the value of farm products, which seem after fifteen years of this tariff to be shrinking in value all the time. And we feel that it should not be used to our injury, nor to crush the greatest and most important industry of this once most promising country.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

Toronto, November 14th, 1893.

In compliance with a resolution passed at the last Dominion Grange your Committee attended the World's Fair at Chicago. We visited the head quarters of the National Grange in Jackson Park, and renewed our acquaintance with many of the prominent men of our order in the United States, and extended the fraternal greetings of the Dominion Grange to them. We were pleased to learn that the Patrons of Husbandry in that great country are alive and active, and are working nobly in the interest of the farmers.

So much has been said and written about the World's Fair, that it may seem superfluous to mention it here, but there can be but one opinion in regard to it—that as an exposition it was the most stupendous and magnificent collection of buildings and the productions of the earth ever gathered together in the history of the world.

We were pleased that the people of the Dominion of Canada took such a deep interest in the Exhibition, and no doubt contributed largely towards its success. It was very interesting to us to see an exhibit from some of our provinces in nearly every building that we entered. The exhibit of our facilities for education, in art, manufactures, minerals, fruits, cereals and roots proved that Canada, our country, stands in the front rank of civilization and refinement. We were not there at the proper time to see all the live stock, but it was with feelings of pride that we learned that Canada had obtained so much credit, and had been awarded so many prizes in this department, and that many of the prize winners were members of our organization.

Your Committee feel that they cannot close their report without saying something relative to the standing of the Order. So many Subordinate and Division Granges have failed to report and have not yet surrendered their charters, which leaves our finances in a crippled condition, several Division Granges having failed to report whose delegates are present at this meeting. Perhaps some Subordinate Granges may be found in the same position. We have considered this question seriously and we think it would be advisable to put a number of good live deputies in the field to engage actively in the work of organizing new Granges, and to do this it would necessary to charge the charter-fees to the sum of at least thirteen dollars, the most of which would be payable to the Deputies for organizing, and at the same time to engage in the work of resuscitation as vigorously as possible. We would recommend that the Committee on the Good of the Order, or a special committee appointed for that purpose, take this matter up and dispose of it at this meeting.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

HY. GLENDINNING, }  
JABEL ROBINSON, } Executive Committee.

Moved by Bro. Robinson, seconded by Bro. Hy. Glendinning,  
—That the report be adopted. —*Carried.*

The Worthy Overseer read his report :

#### OVERSEER'S REPORT.

To the Worthy Master and Members of Dominion Grange:

At the suggestion of the Master I beg leave to submit the following suggestions to you, for consideration:

Although it is not according to the practice of this Grange in the past for the Overseer to do so, I believe it to be in harmony with the interest of Patrons of the Husbandry, for each individual Officer to carefully survey the field in which we are mutual laborers, and report progress, note failures, and make suggestions with the view of inspiring the members with renewed hope and zeal, teach and encourage them to adopt the most practical methods to accomplish our work.

I will not attempt to tickle your ears with well rounded periods, made up of oft words which very often are nothing more than mere platitudes, which no doubt are proper enough in their place when people meet for pleasure, but men and women of practical sense, who compose the majority of the great labor army on the farm and in the work shop, when they meet for business, love to deal in that which is practical.

Brothers, if we are not practical we are nothing as an organ-

ization, and until we bring ourselves to work along the line of United Action in a political sense, we will spend most of our time "for that which satisfieth not."

I do not claim that farmers must be in perfect accord upon every question that divides the politicians, before they can exert a controlling influence upon the Government of the Country, but I do say they must be substantially agreed, before United Action can be hoped for.

These questions are now more prominently before us than they ever were before, and no doubt their discussion will settle opinions, and concentrate the views and actions of Patrons and others interested in them. Politicians and party managers are beginning to comprehend the condition of affairs, and no doubt will govern themselves accordingly.

While isolation of position is responsible for comparative failure along the line of United Action, it is not by any means the most formidable. Loyalty to party, for the sake of party, has hitherto kept farmers apart, and until the majority at least, can agree upon the fundamental principles of a policy calculated to promote their own interests, United Action will remain impossible, and they will, in the future, as they have in the past, play into the hands of those whose interest it is to keep them precisely in that condition, staggering along under a self imposed burden of taxation without any serious effort to unload. If our class could only fully realize it is votes that count and carry the most influence, our way to securing Legislation in our interest would be easy enough.

But as long as talk and cajolery will secure the farmer's vote, so long will we get plenty of it in payment for electing men to office, who make it their first object to work in the interest of their party.

It is beginning to feel like a question of endurance, that is, it seems to be a question of how long the farmers will stand the present condition of affairs, before they will unite and work for their common interest.

But so long as politicians can, by working upon the farmer's prejudices, control his vote, and by the legerdemain of party politics induce one-half the farmers to vote against the other half, the influence of the tillers of the soil upon the Government of the State, will be of little value.

It is not a question of numbers, but indeed one of certainty, for in most counties a few hundred farmers could control the elections, if there was no doubt as to how they would vote.

If we could only break the party bondage, that has bound

ourselves, and our fathers, for more than a generation, and let in the light of independent thought and action, how soon a great change would be effected. How it would rejoice the heart of our order, to see the farmer unite with his brother farmer, in standing up for his profession, and no longer neglect our noble calling at the call of merchants and manufacturers, simply because with us they form some political party.

I am glad to notice, that a spirit of independence is getting into the people, and I rejoice all the more, because I believe our organization has been one of the principal factors in arousing the thought, that led to it, quietly yet obtrusively. Unnoticed by many, and sneered at by a few, for the last eighteen years, the thoughtful men and women, from our farm houses, have met in the Grange Halls of this country, and by consulting with each other upon social and political questions set in motion the influences that are now begining to control the minds of the people.

In this connection I beg to say, that it gives me unbounded satisfaction to acknowledge the progress the Patrons of Industry are making, along this line, and I am sure every true Patron of Husbandry, will wish them God speed, and say to our sister association, Go on Brothers, do what you can, and so will we; the field is large enough for us both, and there is work enough for us all to do.

DAWSON KENNEDY.

Moved by Bro. Robinson, seconded by William Wallace,—That the Worthy Overseer's report be refered to the appropriate Committee.—*Carried.*

Moved by Bro. Schilz, seconded by H. Glendinning,—That Mr. Manning be invited to address this meeting.—*Carried.*

The Committee on Officers' Reports reported favorably on the report of the Overseer.

Moved by Bro. Robinson, seconded by Bro. Schilz,—That the Grange take a recess until 7.30 this evening.—*Carried.*

#### EVENING SESSION.

February 21st, 1894.

The Grange assembled at 7.30 sharp; the Worthy Master not being present the Worthy Overseer took the chair, and the Grange resumed.

The Committee to nominate the Standing Committees brought in their full report:

*Committee on Officers' Reports.*

Bros. D. McTavish, Edwin Peart, Sylvanus Austin,

*Committee on Legislation.*

Bros. William Wallace, James Fallis, Alexander McKay,  
H. Glendinning, D. Kennedy.

*Committee on Education.*

Bros. A. W. Peart, A. Brownridge, D. G. McKenzie, George  
Brown.

*Committee on Agriculture.*

Bros. D. McTavish, Andrew Shore, J. Cumming, Robert  
Milliken, M. Cornell, Chas. Cross.

*Committee on Constitution and By-laws.*

Bros. Jabel Robinson, Lyman Henry, C. J. Nesbitt, F. D.  
Quance, Thomas Porter.

*Committee on Good of the Order.*

Bros. Peter Hepinstall, Mathias Schilz, W. M. Baker, J. M.  
Kaiser, J. O. Smith, Mrs. Cuming.

*Committee on Finance.*

Bros. Edwin Peart, John M. Syne, Sylvanus Austin, Geo. F.  
House.

Moved by H. Glendinning, seconded by J. Robinson,—That  
the report be adopted.—*Carried.*

Moved by R. Wilkie, seconded by A. W. Peart,—That the  
Grange adjourn to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.—*Carried.*

**SECOND DAY.**

**ALBION HOTEL, TORONTO, February 22nd, 1894.**

**MORNING SESSION.**

The Grange met pursuant to adjournment at nine o'clock in  
the morning, Worthy Master in the chair, and after routine  
resumed business.

The minutes were read of previous day.

Moved by Bro. James Fallis, seconded by Bro. George Brown,  
—That the minutes as read be confirmed.—*Carried.*

Moved by J. M. Kaiser, seconded by W. M. Baker,—That Mr. Manning, of the Grange Supply Company, be heard this morning between the hours of ten and eleven o'clock.—*Carried.*

The Committee on Officers' Reports reported as follows :

We would like to see the Executive Committees report published in the minutes, but would withhold from the press that portion relating to the High School grants in Elgin, as not being of general public interest; also the parts relating to the Workman's Compensation for Injuries Act, and that dealing with the working of Dominion Grange.—*Carried.*

The Committee on Agriculture reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE.

While your Committee cannot report as favorably as in some of the past years, they feel that they have abundant reason for gratitude, when they compare our condition with that of some other countries, which are distracted by internal oppression, poverty and want.

We are blessed with the enjoyment of peace and plenty within our borders and with reasonable hope of a continuance of the same.

The farmers for past years have been sustained by the hope that the tide would soon turn in their favor. But instead every successive year increases the difficulties of the situation, and demands from them a constant and unremitting life of toil, without any reasonable compensation for their labor and expense.

Those lines of industry which were formerly their main dependence, through altered conditions have now become comparatively unprofitable. Much of what they raised is produced without profit and without prospect of improvement in their financial standing.

Under the circumstances your Committee are at a loss what to recommend. The indebtedness of the farmers is computed at an enormous sum, the interest of which entails heavy burdens upon them.

Through the operation of fiscal laws by which the few are enriched at the expense of the many, colossal fortunes amassed by millionaires are made from the sweat and toil of the laboring classes.

As a remedy for this state of things we would recommend social economy and retrenchment, curtailing all unnecessary expense as far as possible, living within our means, with the wise and honest use of the ballot, abandoning those lines of industry which have become unprofitable, and giving attention to those pursuits which experience and science have shown to be

most conducive to comfort and advancement in their honorable calling.

Signed,

D. McTAVISH,  
JOHN CUMING,  
MICHAEL CONNELL,  
CHARLES CROSS,  
ANDREW SHORE.

This report was read clause by clause and amended.

At this stage, business was suspended to hear a statement of the business management of R. Y. Manning, Manager of the Grange Supply Co. Mr. Manning addressed the meeting briefly stating that the establishment was in a flourishing condition, doing a larger business than it had ever done during his management, and that in consequence of the increase of business they had been obliged to secure the new premises on King street. He answered a number of questions asked by members.

On motion of Bros. Robinson and McTavish,—A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Manning for his explanations and information respecting the success of the company.—*Carried.*

Mr. Manning acknowledged the vote with thanks.

The discussion on the Report on Agriculture was then resumed after Mr. Manning's retirement.

Moved by Bro. Glendinning, seconded by Bro. Syme,—That the Grange now adjourn to two o'clock afternoon.—*Carried.*

## SECOND DAY.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

ALBION HOTEL, TORONTO, February 22nd, 1894.

The Grange resumed business at 2 o'clock the Worthy Master in the chair.

The discussion on the report on Agriculture was again resumed and report amended. On motion the report as amended was carried.

The Committee on Education brought in their Report as follows:

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Worthy Master and Brethren,—

Your Committee begs leave to report as follows:—That the petition of Maitland Grange, No. 590, has been considered, and we

recommend that, (1) Public School Act be not amended in regard to the length of the Summer Holidays, and that the short time has been tried and found unpracticable.

(2) We see no sufficient reason why teachers' salaries should not be paid quarterly instead of half-yearly as the petitioners ask.

(3) In regard to raising the standard of the public schools, we recommend that the public school course of instruction, be extended to afford a better and more thorough education, and that it be made more practical and involve more studies relating to the pursuit of agriculture.

(4) We do not think there is any adequate reason shown, why any person wishing a higher education should pay for it by fees.

(5) In regard to rescinding county grants to public and high schools, we have not sufficient information to warrant us to recommend any amendment to the school Act.

(6) In regard to changing the basis of distributing the public money to schools, we consider the present plan is preferable to that advocated, viz., on the basis of average attendance alone.

(7) In reference to the superanuation fund of teachers in public and high schools, we are not prepared to advocate any change in the system at present.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Signed,

D. G. MACKENZIE,  
GEO. BROWN,  
A. W. PEART,  
A. BROWNRIDGE.

On motion of Bros. A. W. Peart and George Brown, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Constitution and By-laws brought in their report which was read clause by clause, discussed and adopted.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS.

The Committee on Constitution and By-laws, beg leave to report as follows:

That we have considered the question for Grange 385, relative to changing the constitution in the direction of forming a political party similar to that of the Patrons of Industry.

1st.—We believe that the Executive Committee in their report have dealt fully with this matter. While we would recommend our members to support farmer candidates, who are in favor

of retrenchment and economy, we feel that we have no right to control their individual votes.

#### CONSTITUTION.

2nd.—In regard to the change asked for by Grange 435, to so change the constitution as to permit the discussion of political questions affecting agriculture.

We believe that every Grange already has the right to discuss any question in the interest of the farmers that are not strictly party or religious questions.

3rd.—We have considered the notice given by J. H. B. Moore in regard to changing the name of the lady officers, and take no action thereon.

4th.—The recommendation to make members of sixty-five years of age, honorary members, has been considered, and report unfavorable,

5th.—A suggestion to amend the constitution so as to enable members of the order who cannot conveniently affiliate with a Subordinate Grange to pay their dues to the Secretary of Dominion Grange, and thereby keep up their connection with the order but shall not be entitled to vote upon this suggestion, we report favorable.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

JABEL ROBINSON,  
C. J. NESBITT,  
T. PORTER,  
F. D. QUANCE,  
LYMAN HENRY.

The Secretary read his report:

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the Worthy Master and Members of Dominion Granges:—

As your Secretary I beg to submit to this meeting my annual report:

In former reports I ventured the opinion contrary the general belief, that of late years the Grange was not declining, or if it was it was very slowly, almost imperceptibly.

However, I must confess on this occasion I am not so sanguine. So far as receipts go, which is only one indication there has been a decline, but as the reports from some of the strongest Divisions are not in yet, it is impossible to determine how much the dues have fallen short of former years.

But dues is not the only criterion; the past year has not been a favorable one for farmers; indeed for a number of years past times may, I think, be fairly called hard for farmers. Crops have

not all been a failure, but some of them have, and in nearly every county they have been generally light. Worse even than the crops have been the prices for our principal products, and this has added greatly to the stringency. Doubtless this has had an effect upon the Grange as well as upon everything else, not that it is for the trifling amount it costs, but the hard times direct men's minds and actions into other channels, and the Grange meetings are neglected. And this is one of the difficulties in many Granges to keep up the meetings.

In the busy times of the year elderly people feel it a tax upon them to go to the meetings (for miles perhaps) after the close of the day's labor, and as the attendance declines so do the dues.

The Subordinate Granges which report direct to me have been much more prompt and regular than the Division Granges have been, and the Subordinates which have been reporting to the Divisions have shown indications of decline much greater than those reporting to me.

In fact there are cases where Division Granges are still nominally kept up where it is doubtful if a division meeting can any longer be held. Where this state of things exists it would be better for the Order of the Division Grange would dissolve and the Subordinates report direct to me.

The returns in many cases which are sent to me are so defective that no accurate statement of the condition of the Order can be compiled from them. I have prepared an approximate statement, but owing to the imperfect data upon which it is based, and owing to the great number of reports which up to last Saturday night had not come to hand, it is little more than a supposition of the condition.

The following is my financial statement:

#### SECRETARY'S RECEIPTS.

To Cash on hand at last audit.....	\$225 29
Received from fees and dues.....	\$238 34
Received from sale of printed matter.....	6 62 244 96
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	\$470 25

#### SECRETARY'S DISBURSEMENTS.

By paid Treasurer.....	\$225 29
Stationery for last annual meeting.....	\$1 00
Writing paper since last meeting.....	35
Large envelopes .....	25
Mucilage .....	50
Felt copying brush.....	50
Wrapping twine .....	25
Box of pens.....	50
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	3 35

Brought forward .....	\$228 64
Printer's Account—800 copies Proceedings of An-	
nual Meeting.....	\$25 50
500 printed envelopes.....	1 25
500 letter heads.....	2 25
50 large envelopes .....	20
Petitions to Ottawa Gov'rnm't & Commons. ....	3 25
500 half-post heavy circulars.....	6 50
	— 38 95
Expense of Executive Committee,.....	48 05
Express charges from Manilla on charters.....	40
Postage account .....	10 75
Cash in Secretary's hands. ....	143 46
	—
	\$470 25

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT WILKIE, Secretary.

Moved by H. Glendinning, seconded by J. Robinson,—That the report of the Secretary be laid on the table until the auditors have reported.—*Carried.*

Moved by Bro. D. G. McKenzie, seconded by Bro. R. Wilkie,—That a deputation be appointed by this Grange to visit the Grange Supply House, to investigate their mode of doing business, examine their stock, and to report to this meeting.—*Carried.*

The Worthy Master named on the above committee, Bros. D. G. McKenzie, M. Schiltz, J. Cuming, M. Connell, R. Millikin.

Moved by R. Wilkie, seconded by J. Cuming,—That we adjourn to 7 o'clock this evening.—*Carried.*

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## SECOND DAY.

### EVENING SESSION.

ALBION HOTEL, TORONTO, February 22nd, 1894.

The meeting opened at eight o'clock, the Worthy Master in the chair.

The Report on Legislation was presented and read clause by clause, discussed and adopted without amendment.

### REPORT ON LEGISLATION.

We, your Committee on Legislation, beg leave to report that we have examined the suggestion sent in by Banda Grange, No. 385, on the question of cumulative voting. After giving it due

consideration we do not consider it advisable to recommend its adoption, as in our opinion it would lead to much corruption on the part of a few political schemers, who would attempt to control the votes of the various organizations and secret societies.

In regard to the Initiative and Referendum, we are of the opinion, that it possesses many good points, but that at the present time the people of the country are not yet educated enough on that line for the Government to put into practical shape; an act to bring it into force; also that it may be found a slow and expensive way of procuring legislation.

That the Ontario Government be again asked to introduce an Act to reduce the number of County Councillors.

That the Dominion Government be memorialized to reduce the tariff to a revenue basis; also to increase the currency of the country by the issue of Treasury notes.

We are of the opinion that the practice of pensioning civil servants should be abolished, as life insurance has become both popular and safe, which can be recommended to those who wish to lay up a competency for old age.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

HY. GLENDINNING,  
D. KENNEDY,  
WM. WALLACE.

The delegation to the Grange Supply House reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF DEPUTATION TO VISIT GRANGE SUPPLY HOUSE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that we have visited the Grange Supply House on King street. We found that they carry a large and varied stock.

We examined their mode of doing business and we heartily recommend them to the confidence of the farmers of Ontario.

Signed,

D. G. MCKENZIE,  
JOHN CUMING,  
M. SCHILTZ,  
ROBERT MILLIKEN,  
M. CONNELL.

The unwritten work of the Order was then exemplified by the Worthy Master by request.

Moved by Bro. Jabel Robinson, seconded by Bro. Dawson Kennedy,--That the Grange adjourn to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.--*Carried.*

**THIRD DAY****MORNING SESSION.**

**ALBION HOTEL, TORONTO, February 23rd, 1894.**

The meeting opened at 9.20, Worthy Master presiding. The minutes of yesterday were read by the Secretary.

Moved by Bro. McTavish, seconded by Bro. Kennedy,—That that the minutes as read be adopted.—*Carried.*

The Committe on Good of the Order brought in their report, which was read clause by clause, and on motion of Bro. Hepinstall, seconded by Bro. George Brown,—*Adopted.*

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER  
AND CO-OPERATION.**

**WORTHY MASTER**,—We are associated for co-operation, and should always keep an eye on the members of our order for good preferably to others, buy together, sell together, trade with each other honorably, live and let live. Grange stores worked by Sub-Granges have been a success when well managed, and we would recommend them where practicable, but every Grange has not a manager that can make it a success for both the Grange and himself, and no one ought to be expected to spend time for the good of others without reasonable compensation.

Your Committe think the time has come when the Dominion Grange should take some line of action to increase the membership of our Order and recommend that a general effort, by all the members of this Grange in their own neighborhood for this purpose be made, believing this to be an opportune time for such effort. The fees and dues are low enough in all reason, and the need of our organization apparent.

The Executive Committee has suggested putting into the field some active Deputies for personal convass and organization, which we heartily endorse, and would recommend that a general effort be made by the members of this Grange on the same line, either in person or securing some other who is adapted to that work.

We suggest the following line of action: Get your Grange to appoint a time for a social, have each member invite, and give a card to as many as he or she may choose, and provide lunch for those they invite. Talk up the Grange when inviting. Invite those you think would join and are desirable as members; especially get the young and rising farmers to attend the social. Read

the preamble and declaration of principles of the Grange, accompanied by addresses and other entertainments suitable for the circumstances; don't fail to make the social pleasant and get those present to join the order, if possible.

We would recommend that the new ritual be secured and used, and all meetings be conducted in form. Do business in a business way. Have the accounts kept in good style and audited regularly. Make regular returns to the next higher Grange. Officers, attend all meetings of the Grange and use their influence to get the rest of the members to do the same.

Have the regular Grange meeting in the afternoon, if practicable. We would also recommend taking the Farmers' Advocate and making it the Grange official paper, and let those who can write articles in our interest for that paper or any other. If circumstances will allow, get a good circulating library, choose subjects for discussion beforehand, and get all to take some part in every meeting.

Let every one feel a responsibility in every meeting to do his best to make that meeting interesting and profitable.

Fraternally submitted.

PETER HEPINSTALL,  
W. M. BAKER,  
MATHIAS SCHILTZ,  
MRS. J. CUMING.

On motion of Bro. McTavish, seconded by Bro. Robinson,—Bro. Wm. Wallace gave the Grange a short address on the single tax theory.

#### REPORT NO. 2 OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

We approve of the recommendation in the Executive Committee's report to put some active, energetic men in the field to organize new Granges, as no effort has been made in that direction of late years.

Therefore we recommend this Grange to place the fees for organizing new Granges at the sum of thirteen dollars, ten of which shall be retained by the Deputy, and three dollars paid to the Dominion Grange to pay for the outfit.

Respectfully submitted.

JABEL ROBINSON,  
.T PORTER,  
F. D. QUANCE,  
C. J. NESRITT,  
LYMAN HENRY.

Moved by Bro. Robinson, seconded by Bro. Nesbitt,—That report No. 2 of Committee on Constitution and By-laws be adopted.—*Carried.*

Bro. McKenzie, on motion, addressed the Grange on the cultivation and improvement of the mind and in the practice of the pursuit of farming.

A vote of thanks was passed to Bros. Wallace and McKenzie for their interesting addresses.

Moved by R. Wilkie, seconded by J. M. Syme,—That the first business of the afternoon session be the election of officers.—*Carried.*

Moved by Bro. W. Wallace, seconded by Bro. W. M. Baker,—That the Grange now adjourn to one-thirty o'clock this afternoon.—*Carried.*

### THIRD DAY.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

ALBION HOTEL, Toronto, February 23rd, 1894.

The meeting opened with the Worthy Master in the chair at 1.40 p. m.

The Worthy Master appointed as Scrutineers, Bro. D. G. McKenzie and Bro. Geo. Brown.

The election of officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:

<i>Worthy Master.....</i>	<i>BRO. DAWSON KENNEDY ..</i>	Peterboro
“ <i>Overseer.....</i>	“ <i>D. G. MCKENZIE .....</i>	Lucknow
“ <i>Secretary.....</i>	“ <i>ROBT. WILKIE.....</i>	Blenheim
“ <i>Treasurer.....</i>	“ <i>PETER HEPINSTALL..</i>	Fordwich
“ <i>Lecturer.....</i>	“ <i>GEORGE BROWN.....</i>	Gresham
“ <i>Chaplain .....</i>	“ <i>THOMAS PORTER.....</i>	Banda
“ <i>Steward.....</i>	“ <i>SYLVANUS AUSTIN.....</i>	Whitby
“ <i>Ass't Steward.</i>	“ <i>W. M. BAKER.....</i>	Littlewood
“ <i>Gatekeeper ....</i>	“ <i>LYMAN HENRY.....</i>	Sombra
“ <i>Ceres .... .</i>	<i>SISTER CUMING. ....</i>	Londesboro
“ <i>Pomona.....</i>	“ <i>ROBINSON .....</i>	Middlemarch
“ <i>Flora.....</i>	“ <i>AUSTIN.....</i>	Whitby
“ <i>Lady Steward.</i>	“ <i>LETHBRIDGE .....</i>	Glencoe
<i>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.</i>		

<i>BRO. HY. GLENDINNING.....</i>	<i>Manilla</i>
“ <i>JABEL ROBINSON.....</i>	<i>Middlemarch</i>

#### AUDITORS.

<i>BRO. JAMES FALLIS. ....</i>	<i>Newbridge</i>
“ <i>J. M. KAISER.....</i>	<i>Raper</i>

The Finance Committee brought in their report which was read.

Moved by Bro. Jabel Robinson, seconded by Bro. Hy. Glendinning,—That that part of the Finance Committee report which refers to the division of the balance, be struck out. And also that the auditors elected at this meeting, are to serve without remuneration.—*Carried.*

The report of the Finance Committee as above amended, then passed.

#### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Finance Committee, beg leave to report as follows:

We find the balance on hand after paying the Officers as provided for by last year's report would only be \$2.46. We therefore propose to reduce the salaries of the past year as follows:

Worthy Master.....	\$ 5.00
Worthy Secretary.....	100.00
Worthy Auditors.....	6.00
Leaving a balance of .....	32.46
	_____
	\$143.46

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed,

JOHN M. SYME,  
E. PEART,  
S. AUSTIN.

Bro. E. H. Hilborne, who had paid his dues into Dominion Grange, and had been restored to membership in the Order,

And Bro. W. Pemberton Page, past Grand Secretary, briefly addressed the meeting and were heartily applauded.

Bro. Robinson followed in a short and pungent rejoinder, which elicited a good deal of merriment.

The Auditors then brought in their report. After being read, on motion it was adopted.

#### AUDITORS' REPORT.

Toronto, February 23rd, 1894.

We, the undersigned Auditors, having examined the Secretary's accounts for the year, find that the total receipts with the cash balance from last year amounts to \$470.25, leaving a balance in the Secretary's hands of \$143.46.

Toronto, February 23rd, 1894.

We, the undersigned auditors, beg leave to report as follows:

That we have examined the accounts of the Secretary and compared them with their respective vouchers and find them correct.

## RECEIPTS.

Amount on hand as per last audit.....	\$225.29
Amount received from dues, fees and printed matter.....	244.96
Total.....	\$470.25

## EXPENDITURES.

Paid Executive Committee.....	\$ 48.05
Postage since last audit.....	10.75
Printed matter and stationery.....	42.70
	_____
Amount paid to Treasurer .....	\$101.50
Amount of cash in Secretary's hands.....	225.29
	_____
	143.46
	_____
	\$368.75
	_____
	\$470.25

## TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

We have also examined the Treasurer's accounts, and compared them with the vouchers, and found them correct, with a balance due to Treasurer of thirty three cents.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. KAISER,  
JAMES FALLIS, } Auditors.

Bro. W. M. Baker moved, seconded by J. M. Kaiser.—That the next meeting of Dominion Grange be held in London.

Moved in amendment by Bro. D. McTavish, seconded by Bro. George Brown,—That the next meeting of this Grange be held in Toronto.

Amendment carried by majority of one vote.

Moved by Bro. George Brown, seconded by Bro. James Fallis,—That the date of the next meeting of Dominion Grange be left for the Executive Committee to decide.—*Carried.*

Moved by Bro. Jabel Robinson,seconded by Bro. J. M. Kaiser,—That the present system of selecting grand and petit jurors is expensive and cumbersome, and often leads to discrimination and injustice. Many cases occur where men of intelligence, ability and high moral character, are struck from the roll by the County Officials for no apparent cause. We therefore believe that the final selection of jurors should be in the hands of the officers of the municipality.

Upon this motion some discussion ensued, and exception was taken to it, but on the understanding that the Executive Committee would make an examination of the law before taking any action on it, and be guided thereby, it was—*Carried.*

Moved by H. Glendinning, seconded by W. M. Baker,—That this Grange wishes to express its thanks to Mr. John Holderness, proprietor of the Albion Hotel, for the use of his large parlor for holding our meeting in, and his kind attention to our wants.—*Carried unanimously.*

Moved by Bro. James Fallis, seconded by Bro. W. M. Baker,—That the new officers be now installed.—*Carried.*

Bro. E. H. Hilborne by request duly installed the newly elected officers in a very impressive manner, accompanied by a few neat and well chosen remarks.

Bro. Kennedy, the newly installed Master, thanked the Grange for the honor done him in placing him at the head of the Order in Canada and it was the more gratifying to him as it had come entirely unsought, being apparently the spontaneous gift of the Grange.

The business before the meeting having all been disposed of,

The Grange was duly closed in form. The members joining in grand chain around the altar, with the utmost good will and fraternal feeling, sang the closing ode, and thus ended one of the pleasantest meetings in the history of Dominion Grange.

R. WILKIE, Secretary.

**NOTICE:**—Reports, circulars and such printed matter sent out from the Secretary's office are intended for distribution amongst the members. Therefore parties to whom it is sent will please distribute it and bring it before the meetings.



## AND NOW A WORD TO MASTERS AND SECRETARIES.

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I want the Master and Secretary of every Grange to send me his name and address and the number of his Grange on a postal card as soon as the election of officers is over, which should be at the last regular meeting in the year. Don't depend to anyone to do it but do it yourself; it will only cost you a cent. I can file those cards by themselves and have them at hand at any time, and they will not get mixed with other matter and lost sight of. If you will send them in December or early in January they will be published in the minutes of the annual meeting; if they are too late for that they will not be published at all. If your name is not on the list I cannot send you the printed matter which is prepared by the Grange for that purpose, and besides there are dozens of individuals and firms who desire to reach you with notices of their articles and manufactures. This all comes to you free; it costs not a cent. You surely do not object to that.

If your Grange reports to a Division Grange, I never hear from you, nor hear your name. Your dues and the number of the grange it comes from is given me and that is all. It is no part of the duty of the Division Secretary to send your name and address. It is nobody's duty but your own, and if you neglect it I never hear from you. If your Grange reports direct to me there is a place on the back of every quarterly report for the name and address of the Master and Secretary, but it is often neglected, and it never should be, nor the date nor amount. I have a dozen applications on my desk now asking for these lists from men who want to reach you. And amongst them is one from the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, who wants to send you reports, bulletins and agricultural literature of various sorts. I am trying to complete a list now as nearly correct as possible from the material at hand, but if I do not get your names and post office I cannot put them there.

R. WILKIE.

**LIST OF DIVISION GRANGES, WITH THEIR MASTERS AND SECRETARIES.**

No.	GRANGE.	MASTER.	ADDRESS.	SECRETARY.	PROV.
1	<i>London</i>	G B Patterson	Raper	J M Kaiser	Ont.
2	<i>Grey</i>	James Bowes	Strathnairn	Joseph M Rogers	Woodford
4	<i>South Simcoe</i>	J E Wonch	Churchill	William Adams	Toronto
5	<i>West Lambton</i>	A B McGregor	Sarnia	James Skeoch	Corunna
6	<i>Halton</i>	A W Peart	Freeman	John McDougall	Milton
7	<i>Lucknow</i>	D G McKenzie	Lucknow	Robert Currie	Wingham
11	<i>Kent</i>	E B Tole	Blenheim	Robert Wilkie	Blenheim
17	<i>West Middlesex</i>	John Mitchell	Glencoe	Arch McIntyre	Appin
21	<i>Belmore</i>	Peter Hepinstall	Fordwich	A Drummond	Clifford
23	<i>Beaver Valley</i>	William Hewgill	Heathcote	George Clark	Heathcote
25	<i>Ontario</i>	Walter Rodgers	Kinsale	T E Philp	Whitby
27	<i>Huron</i>	H Snell	Londsboro	George Hood	Sunshine
32	<i>North Bruce</i>	D N McIntyre	Paisley	Lewis Lamb	Paisley
37	<i>West Simcoe</i>	Thomas Porter	Banda	Alex. McLeod	Glen Huron
38	<i>Union</i>	A Swindlehurst	Ballinafad	Robert Dredge	Rockwood
57	<i>Victoria</i>	Parker Smith	Florenta	John McGregor	Mekiwini
					Man.

**LIST OF SUBORDINATE GRANGES, WITH THEIR MASTERS AND SECRETARIES.**

No.	GRANGE.	MASTER.	ADDRESS.	SECRETARY.	PROV.
14	<i>Sydenham</i>	Thomas Laylock	Woodford	Joseph M Rogers	Woodford
23	<i>Protective</i>	W J Shanks	Sarnia	James Skeoch	Corunna
32	<i>Mutual</i>	W M Baker	Littlewood	A M Hunt	Lanbeth
35	<i>Halton</i>	A W Brownridge	Omagh	John McDougal	Milton
36	<i>North Oxford</i>			G B Patterson	Ingersol
45	<i>Lake Simcoe</i>	Charles Cross	Nantye	D W Lennox	Churchill
59	<i>Prospect</i>	James McKee	Pinkerton	Lewis Lamb	Paisley
68	<i>Howick</i>	James Stewart	Gorrie	P P Aylesworth	Gorrie
77	<i>Forest Rose</i>	James McCullay	St. Thomas	William Pranglen	St. Thomas
92	<i>Mount Pleasant</i>	George Gillies	Langside	Joseph Tiffin	Langside
100	<i>Farmers' Wreath</i>	Andrew Smith	Lucknow	Box 1	William Davis
108	<i>Union</i>	Sylvanus Austin	Whitby	Edgar Philp	Whitby
116	<i>Enterprise</i>	Andrew Shore	Loree	Donald McMurchy	Loree
121	<i>Gore</i>	N Hunnison	Castlemore	Thomas Riddell	Malton
126	<i>Minesing</i>	Thomas Livingston	Minesing	Thomas Kerfoot	Minesing
127	<i>Armen</i>	John Sheir	Armen	Robert B Campbell	Armen

*Subordinate Granges, Continued.*

No.	GRANGE.	MASTER.	ADDRESS.	SECRETARY.	PROV.
132	<i>Arkona</i>	J O Smith	Arkona	Alvinza Backhouse	Ont.
137	<i>Metcalf Victoria</i>	David Raney	Osman	William Foster	
141	<i>Knock</i>	John Bowman	Vine	John Cowan	
146	<i>Painswick</i>	William Martin	Innisfil	F D Quance	
147	<i>Norfolk</i>	Isaac Austin	Benton	William Schiltz	
148	<i>Carlisle</i>	John Hunter	Carlisle	Charles Harper	Carlisle
153	<i>Edgar</i>	John M. Syme	Dalston	M J Beardsall	Dalston
156	<i>Alliance</i>	George Lethbridge	Glencoe	J G Lethbridge	Strathburn
166	<i>Applegrove</i>	H Robinson	Middlemarch	J H Fletcher	Middlemarch
180	<i>Mill Creek</i>	William Clark	Heathcooe	George Clark	
188	<i>Battle Hill</i>	William Webster	Strathburn	Levi Annett	Strathburn
198	<i>Erin</i>	George Robinson	Strabane	John Berry	Strabane
200	<i>Burlington</i>	W V Hopkins	Burlington	Stanley Dynes	Freeman
218	<i>Balinafad</i>	A Swindlehurst	Balinafad	R T Henderson	Balinafad
224	<i>Centre</i>	D A McRae	Appin	J W McFee	Appin
233	<i>Moncrieff</i>	E B Tole	Blenheim	Alex Stewart	Cranbrook
233	<i>Victoria</i>	A M McIntyre	Lawrence	Robert Wilkie	Blenheim
235	<i>Rose of the West</i>	Samuel McColl	Cowal	Mungo McNabb	Lawrence
260	<i>Gordon</i>	John Parks	Banks	D McMillan	Dutton
265	<i>Mount Hope</i>	John Wheeler	Clarksburgh	Alex Malcolm	Banks
278	<i>Eldorado</i>	George Thompson	Craigvale	Walter Hartman	Clarksburgh
322	<i>Innisfil</i>	Walton Union	Walton	Robert Neely	Bramley
338	<i>Farmers' Home</i>	James Watson	James Simpson	James Simpson	Walton
344	<i>Farmers' Home</i>	John Slater	Eden Mills	John Ramsey	Walton
348	<i>Morris</i>	William Oxley	Wingham	William Isbestu	Eden Mills
357	<i>Canfield</i>	George Smale	Caufield	Joe R Smith	Wingham
358	<i>Harvest Home</i>	Joseph Bates	Staffa	Richard Pinder	Canfield
160	<i>Glandford</i>	North Glandford	W M Calder	Munro	
361	<i>Sydenham</i>	Lachlan Lindsay	Rokeby	Glandford	
364	<i>Hawthorn</i>	James Walker	Annan	John McLean	Rokeby
373	<i>Center Bruce</i>	Benjamin Lawton	Gresham	Jaunes Cannon	Annan
380	<i>Mariposa</i>	John Cruess	Linden Valley	Thomas Brown	Gresham
385	<i>Banda</i>	Samuel Elder	E T Rogers	Linden Valley	Linden Valley
390	<i>Kinsale</i>	H W McBrien	Banda	R Rogers	Banda
					Kinsale

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392	Lily of Mersea.	David Read.	Goldsmith.....Frances Hooker....	Goldsmith....Ont.
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397	Grand River.	William Wallace.	Galt.....George Hislop.....	Strasburg....
404	Manilla.	HY Glendinning.	Manilla.....William Ramsey....	Cresswell....
406	Heathcote.	William Vampylan.	Heathcote.....Thomas Dooks....	Heathcote....
413	Williscroft.	W C Roadhouse.	Williscroft.....Frank Graham....	Paisley.....
419	Eramosa			
430	Pine River.	Edward Revie.	Verdun.....Mrs. William Welsh....Amberley....	
453	South Elderslie.	Peter Esson	Paisley.....S. Ballachy.....Paisley.....	
471	Acton West.	Paul Kennedy.	Limehouse.....James L Warren.....Acton.....	
511	Morris Centre		William Michie.....Sunshine.....	
513	Chesley.	Daniel Allan	Chesley.....James Smellie....Chesley.....	
526	Eden Grove.	Alexander Clark	Eden Grove.....Alexander Clark....Eden Grove..	
543	Spring.	Peter Hepinstall	Fordwich.....Edward Cooper.....	Fordwich....
552	Randville.	R. Larrabee	Randboro.....H J Cable.....	Randboro....Que.
570	Royal	David Sherk	Stevensville.....Geo F House.....	Stevensville....Ont.
581	Rosedale		James P Palmer.....Fenlin Fall....	
582	Farmers' Friend.	S Lowery.	Clinton.....Minnie G Rudd....Clinton.....	
583	Romney.	John Robinson.	Romney.....T C Renwick....Romney.....	
596	Prospect Hill.	William Rowand.	Walkerton.....William A Rowand....Walkerton....	
599	Mailand.	Andrew Carswell.	Newbridge.....James Connell....Harrison....	
600	Ulster.	Joseph Leggett.	Wingham.....Robert Currie....Wingham....	
614	Sterling.	James W Butler.	Sine.....W T Sine....Sine.....	
624	Dufferin.	Stephen Pound.	Aylmer.....Orlando Baker....Aylmer.....	
632	Glen Huron.		Alex McLeod.....Glen Huron....	
649	Eathon.	Robert Dunlop.	Peterboro.....Richard Lillico....Peterboro....	
658	Abion.	John Mitchell.	Glencoe.....Robert McDonald....Newbury....	
841	Fair Valley.	Robert McBeth.	Millington.....George Read.....	Uptergrove.
855	Derry.	John Munroe.	Owen Sound.....	
894	Ayre.	Colin McDearmed.	Gladstone.....G S McGregor....Mekiwin....Man.	
899	Selman.	Warren Henry.	W S Howell.....Sombra....	Thornyhurst Ont.
920	Union.	James McLachlan.	Parker Smith.....Plumas....Clinton....	Man....Brucefield....
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